



REV. ORISHATAKEH FADUMA, B.D.

Peabody Academy, Troy, N. C.
Rev. O. Faduma, B.D., Principal

FOUNDED in 1880 by the American Missionary Association. Five teachers and 207 students were enrolled in 1908. The property is valued at \$4,000. The annual expenses, \$2,000, are provided by the American Missionary Association and by school fees.

The principal was born in British Guiana. His parents were natives of Yombaland in West Central Africa. He began his studies in Sierra Leone, Africa, and continued in Queen's College, Taunton, England, matriculating in London University—the first West African to pass the university examinations for the intermediate degree in arts.

His eyesight failed, and the physician said he must return to Africa or be blind. Faduma said, "I prefer to be an intelligent blind man." He recovered his sight and after three years of study in England, became senior master of the Sierra Leone High School, and then came to America. He spent three years at Yale Divinity School, won \$400, for post-graduate work,



BASKETRY CLASS, PEABODY ACADEMY, TROY, N. C.

which he devoted to philosophical studies and later became principal of Troy academy. He is also pastor of the Congregational church of Troy.



COOKING CLASS, PEABODY ACADEMY, TROY, N. C.